

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicants: Robert Lee Maziasz et al.

Title: CIRCUIT LAYOUT COMPACTION USING RESHAPING

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MS AMENDMENT  
Commissioner for Patents  
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**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT AND  
PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Dear Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement mailed October 14, 2009, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Claim Amendments begin on page 2.

Remarks begin on page 9.